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<b>Response to Rule 312 Communication</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/693,047	<b>Applicant(s)</b> ROORDA ET AL.	
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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 01 March 2006 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☒ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

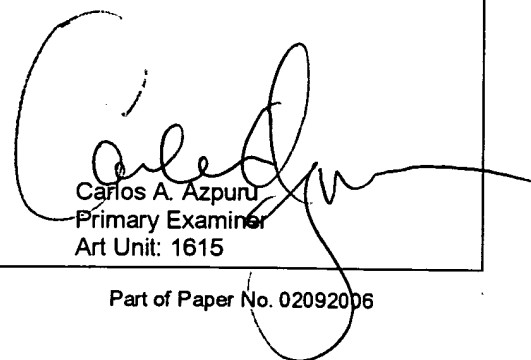
c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

*The amendment was suggested in order to avoid prior art found while examining a copending case..*

  
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